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15	DAVID STEBBINS,)	CASE NO.: 3:23-cv-00322-TLT	
16 17 18	Plaintiff, v.)	DEFENDANT GOOGLE LLC'S RESPONSE TO STATEMENT OF RECENT DECISION [ECF 42]	
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20	Defendant.)	Action Filed: January 20, 2023	
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RESPONSE TO STATEMENT OF RECENT DECISION

Plaintiff's "Statement of Recent Decision" (Dkt. 42) offers—at best—a distorted representation of Judge White's March 28, 2023 Order in the Stebbins v. Rebolo litigation (Case No. 4:22-cv-00546-JSW, Dkt. 30, the "Order"). As discussed in Google's pending Motion to Dismiss (Dkt. 31), Judge White previously dismissed Plaintiff's copyright claims in Rebolo in a screening order under 18 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B), finding that "much of the alleged infringement is plainly fair use criticism" and that "Plaintiff's attempt to manufacture and pursue ultimately meritless copyright infringement claims in an effort to silence online criticism smacks of bad faith and abuse of the Court system." Stebbins v. Rebolo, No. 4:22-cv-00546-JSW, 2022 WL 2668372, at *3 (N.D. Cal. July 11, 2022); see also Dkt. 31 at 2, 5-7, 11, 14. Plaintiff argues that because the new Order vacates Judge White's previous judgment in Rebolo, it renders Google's "argument" about Rebolo "no longer valid." Dkt. 42 at 1. That is incorrect.

The Order expressly rejects each of Plaintiff's substantive arguments for reconsideration of Judge White's earlier dismissal order and entry of final judgment. *See* Order at 2-3. While it vacates the judgment and permits Plaintiff a "final opportunity" to attempt to amend *certain* claims, it does so only "in light of the Ninth Circuit's admonition that *pro se* litigants should be granted leave to amend[.]" Order at 3. Indeed, the Order expressly states that "Plaintiff has not provided any additional information suggesting that he can cure the defects in his pleading through amendment, and the Court has doubts about his ability to do so." *Id.* In short, nothing in Judge White's *Rebolo* Order renders Google's discussion of *Rebolo* invalid or supports Plaintiff's copyright claim in this case.¹

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¹ Judge White also issued an order in the *Stebbins v. Polano* case on March 28, 2023, which fully denied Plaintiff's motions for reconsideration and relief from judgment. Case No. 4:21-cv-04184-JSW, Dkt. 186. Plaintiff's Statement does not mention or attach that order.

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